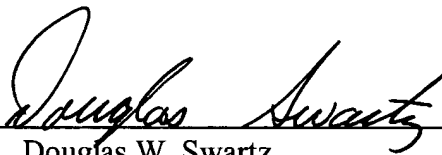


REMARKS

The amendment to the Specification do not constitute new matter. The addition of "at least about" to the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 1, is supported by claims 17, 21, and 24 as filed. The newly added sentence at the end of the paragraph is supported by the disclosed numerical values for percent fibers/in². In the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 19, the addition of 40 follows from the disclosed ranges in the prior paragraph. This value is based on a denier of 2 (which at a specific gravity of 1.23 equates to a fiber diameter of 0.00073 in) (page 13 at line 5), a fiber length of 0.3 mm (page 13 at line 10), and a percent fibers/in² of 60 (page 13 at line 13).

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